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GOVERNOR-GENERAL TO OPEN VANIER LIBRARY  
AT LOYOLA

The Georges P. Vanier Library at Loyola College will be officially opened on October 27th, 1964, by His Excellency, Georgal Georges P. Vanier, D.S.O., M.C., C.D., Governor-General of Canada (class of Loyola '06).

The library is the city's newest and, by far, the most modern. The prize-winning partnership of Affleck Desbarats Dimakopoulos Lebensold and Sise are the architects of the functional and uncluttered building, which now houses 54,000 volumes. Its space will allow for another 100,000 volumes, and the Loyola Associates, a group of dedicated women under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Charles H. Wayland, are working towards that goal.

The building's three storey brick building can comfortably accommodate 600 persons, and features a fine theatre-lecture hall. Situated on the main floor are the Circulation Desk, Main Reading Room, Library offices and the reference area. Semi private study alcoves are available in the stack areas on all floors.

The Second Floor consists of five Seminar rooms, an Audio-Visual Room and Periodicals, Research Rooms for Faculty and Graduate students. In the Basement there are Lecture Rooms, Binding, Shipping and Receiving Rooms, Faculty Student and Staff Lounges, and a number of typing rooms.

On the front lawn of the library are lintel stones from the Thomas D'Arcy McGee home, which stood on St. Catherine Street near Drummond, and which were salvaged when the house was recently demolished and donated by the Hill brothers to Loyola. The library and interesting memorabilia of the great Irish-Canadian patriot is housed in a room on the second floor of the Georges P. Vanier library.

Very Reverend Patrick G. Malone, S.J., President of Loyola, said recently "The quality of university work is directly proportional to the quality of its library holdings". This is the purpose of the new library - to provide the best through books to assist in the development of the college student.